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55P4H4: GENE EXPRESSED IN

VARIOUS CANCERS

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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action dated 16 July 2002 for which a response was due on 16 August 2002. Enclosed herewith is a request for an extension of time for two months, until 16 October 2002, along with the required fee. Accordingly, this response is timely filed.

Applicants hereby elect to prosecute the invention of Group I, claims 1-12, 20 and 42 (linking claims 13, 17-19, and 41) drawn to 55P4H4-related protein, fragments and variants

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